

ARIZONA

The Federal Post Card Application is the primary form used when requesting registration and/or an absentee ballot from your local election official. Read all instructions printed below and on the FPCA before completing and signing your application.

FEDERAL POST CARD APPLICATION

| REGISTRATION AND ABSENTEE BALLOT REQUEST - FEDERAL POST CARD APPLICATION (FPCA) | |
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| APPLICATION FOR STATE OF _____ COUNTY OF _____ CITY OR TOWNSHIP OF _____ § | |
| I REQUEST ABSENTEE BALLOTS FOR ALL ELECTIONS IN WHICH I AM ELIGIBLE TO VOTE. | |
| 1. APPLICANT INFORMATION (See instruction 1.) | |
| a. TYPED OR PRINTED NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) | b. SEX c. RACE |
| d. DATE OF BIRTH | e. SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER |
| f. OTHER IDENTIFICATION NO. (passport, ID card) | |
| 2. I LAST VOTED or PLACE OF LAST REGISTRATION (Do not leave this section blank. See instructions.) | |
| a. YEAR b. COUNTY, CITY, OR TOWNSHIP | c. STATE d. VOTER REGISTRATION NO. (if known) |
| 3. VOTING RESIDENCE (For military, legal residence. For overseas civilians, last residence in U.S. IF USING RURAL ROUTE, SEE INSTRUCTIONS.) | |
| a. LAST DATE OF RESIDENCY | |
| b. NUMBER AND STREET (Do not use Post Office Box) | |
| c. CITY, TOWN OR VILLAGE | d. STATE |
| e. COUNTY OR PARISH | f. ZIP CODE (9 -digit, if known) |
| 4. MAIL ABSENTEE BALLOT TO: (Mailing address where you want the ballot to be sent.) | |
| 5. YOUR FAX NUMBER (If this application is faxed, include all international prefixes. See instructions.) | |
| 6. POLITICAL PARTY AFFILIATION (This information is required by most states to send you a ballot for primary elections. See Instructions.) | |
| 7. REMARKS (Provide additional information which will assist local election officials in determining your eligibility to register and vote. See Instructions.) | |
| 8. AFFIRMATION BY APPLICANT | |
| X only one: a, b, c or d | |
| I swear/affirm, under penalty of perjury, that I am: (See Instructions) | |
| a. a member of the Uniformed Services or merchant marine on active duty, or an eligible spouse or dependent. | |
| b. a U.S. citizen temporarily residing outside the U.S. | |
| c. a U.S. citizen overseas by virtue of employment or accompanying spouse or dependent. | |
| d. other U.S. citizen residing outside the U.S. | |
| e. I am a U.S. citizen, eligible to vote in the above jurisdiction, and subscribed to any required state/local oath or statement. | |
| f. I have not been convicted of a felony or other disqualifying offense or been adjudicated mentally incompetent, or if so, my voting rights have been reinstated. | |
| g. I am not registering, requesting a ballot, or voting in any other jurisdiction in the U.S. | |
| h. The information on this form is true and complete. | |
| i. SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT | j. DATE |
| | M M D D Y Y |
| 9. WITNESS/NOTARY ADDRESS AND SIGNATURE (If required by state law) | |
| DATE SIGNED | |
| M M D D Y Y | |

The information contained herein is for official use only. Any unauthorized release of this information may be punishable by law.

Application Instructions

Circled letters on the form above correspond to the instructions below. You must complete all shaded areas.

A. Please provide the last four (4) digits of your Social Security number in Item 1e. Although this information is optional, your voluntary cooperation will assist the state of Arizona in the identification of voters.

B. Do not leave blank. Enter "N/A" if not applicable or if you are a first time voter.

C. Provide the complete street address of your Arizona voting residence. A post office box is not sufficient. If your address includes a rural route, describe its location in Item 7. For example: "2 miles past Highway _____, across the street from the _____ gas station." This address must be different from the one provided in Item 4 and must be within the county where you claim legal voting residence.

D. Print the complete address where you want your ballot sent — usually your current mailing address. Your current

mailing address must be different from the address you provided in Item 3.

E. If you do not list a party affiliation or if you register as independent or with a party that does not have primary election ballot status you may designate the ballot of a party that does have representation on the ballot and vote that ballot (Example: Democrat, Republican). You must identify the party ballot you wish to request for the primary.

If you are currently registered and want to change your political party affiliation or you have previously declined to indicate a political party, you must submit a completed FPCA to the local election official not later than 29 days before election day.

F. Check ONE box.

G. You must sign and date the FPCA. When signing, you are swearing or affirming that the information is true and correct.

I. UNIFORMED SERVICES

A. Who Can Do it

These procedures apply to persons who are U.S. citizens, residents of Arizona and members of the Uniformed Services and their family members. Uniformed Services are defined as the U.S. Armed Forces, merchant marine, commissioned corps of the Public Health Service and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration.

B. Registering and Requesting an Absentee Ballot

You may use a single FPCA to request ballots for all elections in a calendar year (for local, state and Federal offices).

If you are a registered citizen, the county recorder must receive your FPCA request not later than 5 p.m. on the second Friday before the election.

If you are an unregistered citizen residing temporarily outside the state, the county recorder must receive your FPCA request for registration anytime before 7 p.m. on election day.

If you are an unregistered citizen residing within the state, the county recorder must receive your FPCA request for registration not later than 29 days before the election.

C. Casting Your Vote

Ballot Return Deadline: Return your voted ballot so that it arrives at the county recorder's office not later than 7 p.m. on election day.

Local election officials mail ballots approximately 15 days before the Presidential preference election. Ballots are mailed approximately 33 days before all other elections.

If you are outside the U.S. and have not received your state ballot in a timely manner, use the Federal Write-In Absentee Ballot. See instruction in Chapter 2, page 12.

D. Notary/Witness Requirements

No registration or voting materials are notarized or witnessed.

E. Electronic Transmission of FPCAs and Ballots

- Arizona allows you to send the FPCA application for registration and absentee ballot requests by fax. After faxing, submit the FPCA by mail.
- Arizona does not allow you to receive the blank ballot by fax.
- Arizona does not allow you to return the voted ballot by fax.

Please refer to Appendix C for specific instructions when transmitting election materials electronically. Use only the following numbers:

DSN 223-5527
(703) 693-5527
1-800-368-8683

F. Special Write-in Early Ballot

Arizona provides a state special write-in early ballot available 36 days before the Presidential preference election, 60 days before all other primary elections and 50 days before the general election if you are a member of the Armed Forces, merchant marine, or a spouse or dependent of these and cannot vote an early ballot during the normal voting period.

You may use an FPCA to request this state special write-in ballot. In Item 7 of the FPCA, place one of the state special write-in labels from Section III.E. If no labels are available, in Item 7 write: "Due to military or other contingencies that preclude normal mail delivery, I cannot vote an early ballot during the normal early voting period. I request a special write-in early ballot."

You may not request this special write-in ballot earlier than 90 days before the election. You may vote the ballot by writing in the names of specific candidates.

Instructions continue in Section III: Uniformed Services & Civilians Outside U.S.

Notify Your Local Election Official About Your Current Mailing Address

II. CIVILIANS OUTSIDE U.S.

A. Who Can Do it

These procedures apply to persons who are U.S. citizens, residents of Arizona and overseas citizens. The term “overseas citizen(s) means a U.S. citizen who resides outside the U.S., and who was qualified to register, except for age, in Arizona immediately prior to his/her departure from Arizona.

- Arizona residents temporarily residing outside the U.S. (for local, state and Federal office ballots)
- overseas citizens (for local, state and Federal office ballots)

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If you are an overseas citizen, the county recorder must receive your FPCA ballot request not later than 5 p.m. on the second Friday before the election. You are not required to register.

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III. UNIFORMED SERVICES & CIVILIANS OUTSIDE U.S.

A. Bars to Registration and Voting

Persons convicted of treason or a felony (unless civil rights restored), and persons adjudicated or incapacitated as defined in A.R.S. 14-5101, may not register or vote.

B. Action on Registration Requests

Notice of registration is sent. The county recorder must notify the applicant within 10 business days of receipt if his or her application cannot be read or is missing required information.

C. Action If Registration Is Denied

No formal appeal process exists. If denied registration, consult a legal assistance officer or civilian counsel.

D. Where To Send It

Mail the FPCA to the County Recorder, county of voting residence, as listed below:

| County | County Seat | Zip Code |
|------------|---------------------------------------|------------|
| Apache | PO Box 425, Saint Johns | 85936-0425 |
| Cochise | PO Box 184, Bisbee | 85603-0184 |
| Coconino | 110 East Cherry Avenue, Flagstaff | 86001-4696 |
| Gila | 1400 East Ash Street, Globe | 85501-1496 |
| Graham | 921 Thatcher Boulevard, Safford | 85546-2858 |
| Greenlee | PO Box 1625, Clifton | 85533-1625 |
| La Paz | 1112 Joshua Avenue, Suite 201, Parker | 85344-5755 |
| Maricopa | 111 South 3rd Avenue, #103, Phoenix | 85003-2225 |
| Mohave | PO Box 70, Kingman | 86401-0070 |
| Navajo | PO Box 668, Holbrook | 86025-0668 |
| Pima | 115 North Church, Tucson | 85701-1199 |
| Pinal | PO Box 848, Florence | 85232-0848 |
| Santa Cruz | 2150 North Congress Drive, Nogales | 85621-1090 |
| Yavapai | 1015 Fair Street, Prescott | 86305-1852 |
| Yuma | 410 South Maiden Lane, Yuma | 85364-2311 |

Don't Be Ignored - Vote

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